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January 13, 2021

VIA ECF

The Honorable John G. Koeltl
United States District Judge
United States District Court
500 Pearl Street
New York, New York 10007

Application granted.
SO ORDERED

January 14, 2021
New York, NY

/s/ John G. Koeltl
John G. Koeltl
U.S.D.J.

Re: *Informed Consent Action Network v. Centers for Disease Control and Prevention*, 20 Civ. 6177 (JGK)

Dear Judge Koeltl:

This Office represents defendant Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (“CDC”) in the above-referenced Freedom of Information Act (“FOIA”) lawsuit commenced by plaintiff Informed Consent Action Network (“Plaintiff”). After meeting and conferring with counsel for Plaintiff today, I write respectfully on behalf of the parties to request that the status report due tomorrow, January 14, 2021 [ECF No. 13], be extended by two weeks, to January 28, 2021. Plaintiff’s counsel consents to this request. This is the parties’ second request for an extension of time to submit a joint status report.

Since the parties’ last letter to the Court dated December 14, 2020 [ECF No. 12], the parties have continued their discussions regarding Plaintiff’s FOIA request in an attempt to reach a consensual resolution regarding the scope of that request and the timing of any agreed-upon production. As we have previously represented to the Court, if the parties are able to reach a resolution, the parties will submit for the Court’s approval a stipulation and order regarding the scope of the request and a proposed timetable for CDC’s processing and production of non-exempt records. If the parties cannot reach agreement, the parties will seek the Court’s assistance in resolving the issue. Accordingly, the parties request that they be granted leave to file a joint status update of their negotiations on or before January 28, 2021.

We thank the Court for its consideration of this letter.

Respectfully,

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